

## **EXHIBIT 9**

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PAIN CLINIC NOTE

**ADMITTING DIAGNOSIS:**

1. Lumbar spinal stenosis, 724.02.
2. Degenerative disc disease of the lumbar spine, 722.52.
3. Chronic low back pain, 724.4.

CPT:

1. Expanded problem focused office visit, 99213.

Mr. Sasser is a 49 year old, white male who comes today in follow up. He currently is on a medication regimen including Methadone 5 mg 3 times a day; Baclofen 10 mg bid to tid. He is doing well on this and reports a pain level of 5 out of 10 today. This is compared to a pain level of 7 to 8 out of 10 on his visit of 9/27/00, and again this is better than his pain level of 10 out of 10 on 9/5/00, which was his initial visit. Therefore, his medication is providing him a 50% pain relief. The patient has no new complaints. His complaints continue to be low back and bilateral leg pain primarily from the knees down to the feet.

## REVIEW OF SYSTEMS:

## CARDIOVASCULAR:

Positive for exertional angina with occasional rest angina. Positive for congestive heart failure. Status post coronary artery bypass grafting in 1998.

CNS:

### PERIPHERAL VASCULAR:

Positive for headache.

BENAL.

Positive for circulatory dysfunction.

**PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:**

GENERAL: Well developed, pleasant, white male in no acute distress

VITAL SIGNS: Blood pressure 123/86, pulse 88, respirations 18.

VITAL SIGNS. 51  
PAIN LEVEL: 5

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HEENT. Negative

REENT: Negative.  
NEUROLOGIC: Unchanged from previous visit with positive Tinel bilaterally. Lower extremity neurologic exam shows decreased sensation in a non-radicular pattern of the right lower extremity.

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